MONTEREY BAY AIR RESOURCES DISTRICT
ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
THURSDAY, MAY 2, 2019 – 1:30 P.M.
24580 Silver Cloud Court, Boardroom, Third Floor, Monterey, California

Summary of Actions

1. Call to Order – 1:35 pm

2. Roll Call
   Present: Allen Stroh, Janet Brennan, Tom Brokaw, Sandy Coplin, Jeff Davis, Bob Smith, Scott Soares, Scott Storm, David Mack.
   Absent: Matt Farrell (called), Frank Pierce, Jay Tufano, Sandy Swint.

3. Changes to the Agenda - None

4. Public Comment Period – None

5. Accepted and Filed Summary of Actions for the Advisory Committee Meeting of February 7, 2019
   Motion: Accept and file the summary of actions from the February 2, 2019 Committee meeting.
   Action: Approve, Moved by Jeff Davis, Seconded by Janet Brennan.

6. Receive Report on District’s Outreach Strategies and Activities; Review New MBARD Website; and Provide Recommendations
   Comments received. No action required or taken.

7. Receive Monthly Oral Report from Air Pollution Control Officer
   Richard Stedman, APCO, reported on the following:
   - March 20, 2019 Board Meeting
     o Adopted a Resolution authorizing the AB 2766 Motor Vehicle Emission-Reducing Grants Program.
     o Appointed two regular members and one alternate member from the Board of Directors to the District Budget/Personnel/Nominating Committee.
   - Personnel
     o Joyce Giuffre, Administrative Services Manager will be retiring on May 10. Following a recruitment process, Rosa Rosales, District Administrative and Fiscal Specialist, has been promoted to that position.
     o Leif Halvorsen has been hired as an Air Quality Inspector I.
   - Engineering
     o APCO and Amy Clymo, Engineering/Compliance Manager, met with Supervisor Lopez and a constituent to discuss permit requirements for diesel engines used to provide electrical power for cannabis cultivation until PG&E upgrades are completed.
     o APCO and Amy Clymo will be meeting with California Air Resources Board staff on April 2
to present the District’s concerns with the state's proposed emission reporting regulation.

- Title V permit for the Crazy Horse Canyon Landfill was officially canceled this week. The landfill met all of the requirements and is longer subject to federal permitting program.

- Planning and Air Monitoring
  - A $125,000 grant is being awarded to Chris' Fishing Trips, a whale watching and fishing charter business in Monterey, for the fishing vessel "Star Of Monterey" to replace two 400 hp Tier 2 propulsion engines with two new 365 hp Tier 3 engines.
  - The Diesel Engine Equipment Replacement Grant Program (Carl Moyer and FARMER programs) application period ended on March 18. Fifty-two applications were received to replace diesel engines in off-road equipment, tractors, irrigation pumps and marine vessels.
  - We've had very productive meetings with Monterey Bay Community Power regarding our EV incentive programs. We have come up with a plan to harmonize these separate and distinct programs.

- Legislation
  - AB 661 (McCarty) - Wildfire Smoke Emergency Air Pollution Emergency Plan
  - AB 836 (Wicks) - Establishment of an incentive program to create a network of clean air centers, currently limited to the 9 county region served by the Bay Area Air Quality Management District.
  - Wine Bill

- April 17, 2019 Board Meeting
  - Approved of an amendment to the Employment Agreement for District Air Pollution Control Officer

- Update
  - APCO and Amy Clymo met with the California Air Resources Board to discuss our concerns with the proposed Regulation for the Reporting of Criteria Air Pollutants and Toxic Air Contaminants. Our primary concern is the rule applicability language will require small sources to annually report criteria pollutant and toxic emissions. From this conversation, our expectation is the rule will only be revised to delay implementation of reporting for smaller sources but not eliminate the reporting requirement.
  - The District released a Request for Proposals for a Permit, Compliance, and Emission Inventory Software Management System. The new system will replace our current permit database and will add an emission inventory tool to help us meet the state's new emission reporting requirements.
  - Staff just reviewed proposals for a new document management system. We will be selecting a vendor in the next few days.
  - The District will be receiving an Eagle II methane detection instrument from the California Air Resources Board later this month. This equipment is used to detect methane leaks at oil and gas facilities and will assist us with confirming compliance with the state oil and gas regulation.

- Planning and Air Monitoring
  - The wintertime Spare the Air program will be winding down by the end of the month as conditions for smoke dispersion typically improve in the spring. During a Spare the Air alert, residents are asked to voluntarily choose devices which use fuels other than wood to heat their homes.
  - In cooperation with the San Luis Obispo APCD, the District recently co-sponsored a
class/demonstration on an open burning technique called conservation burning. Conservation burning can significantly reduce smoke emissions from pile burning and produces a valuable soil amendment called biochar, a form of charcoal that can increase crop production, retain nutrients and water, and sequester carbon.

- Building
  - District will release a request for proposals for our building painting project. This is going to be a relatively costly affair. In addition to paint, various structures will have to be repaired or removed. There is a significant amount of damage from acorn woodpeckers at various locations.

- Outreach
  - Clean Air Leaders Awards May 16 at Wedgewood Carmel, formerly Rancho Canada.
  - Booth set up at:
    - Salinas Valley Ag Tech at Hartnell- March 27
    - Healthy Kids Day in Hollister - April 27

8. Future Agenda Items
- Brennan – Committee used to do budget review. The Board decided the Committee shouldn’t be involved at that level. Committee Member Brennan recommended going back to the Board and review whether or not the Committee should resume review of the budget. APCO will go back to the board and see if they will change their minds.
- Brokaw - Presentation on micro plastic issue. What do we know about it? APCO will look into it to see if it’s severe enough to research.

9. Chairman’s Comments – None.

10. Comments from Committee Members – None.

11. Order for Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 3:17 pm.

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Executive Assistant